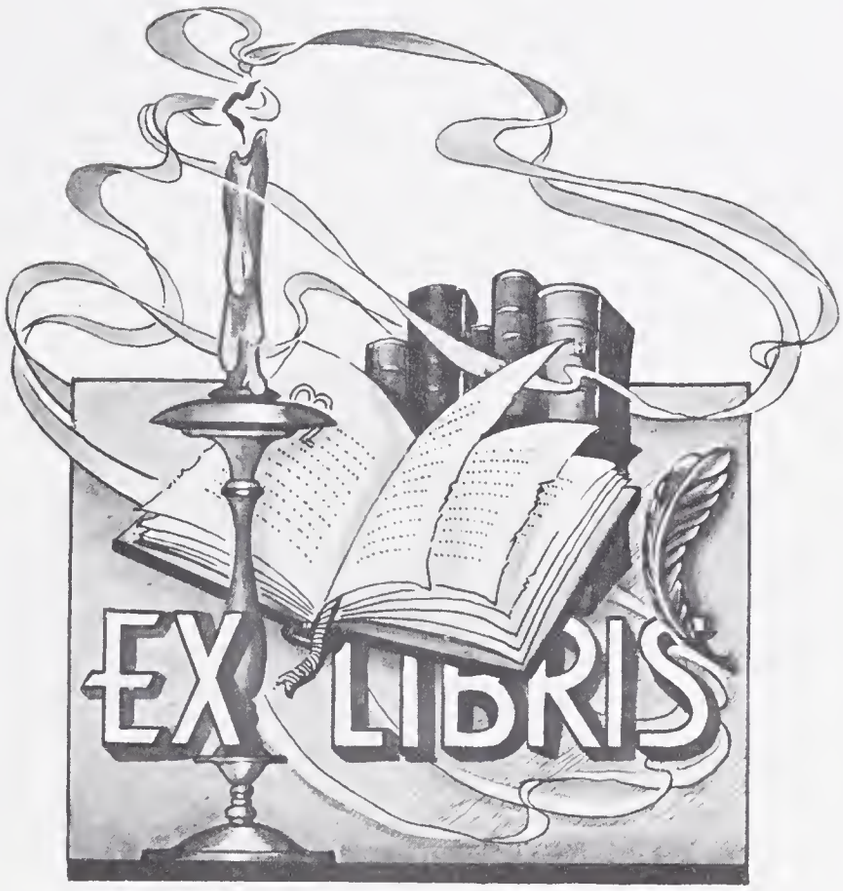
Skirmisher

Stanley Burgin

Lots of luck
and success to
you in the future
"A quiter never wins,
and a winner never quits"
Norma Jean

Bobby
Allen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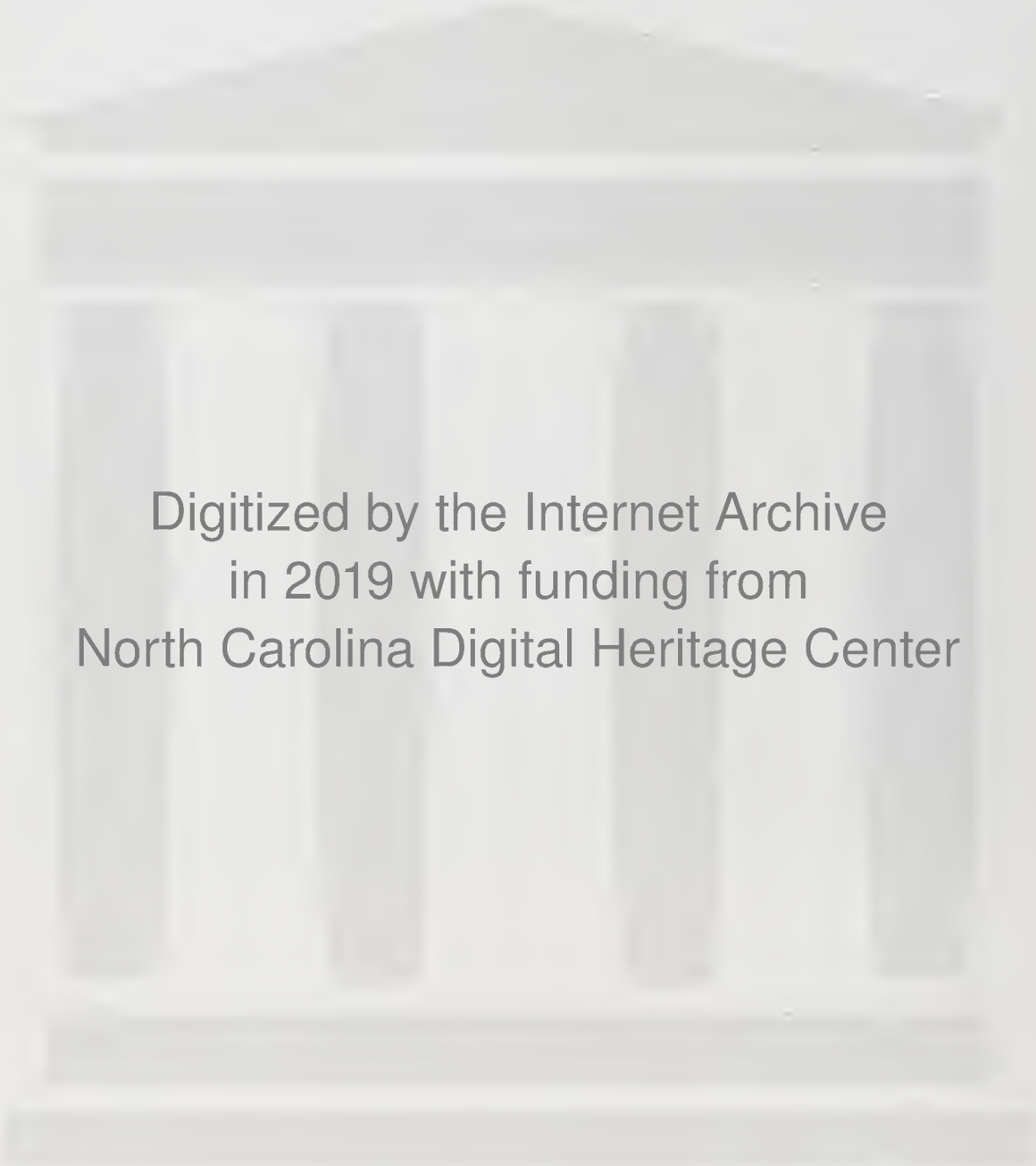

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DEDICATION

Norman Clifford Shuford, the admired principal and beloved friend of all, whose interest has been untiringly and unreservedly devoted to our development, this issue of the SKIRMISHER is affectionately dedicated.

IN MEMORIAM

In memory of Norman Clifford Shuford, Jr. who was born May 10, 1927 and died July 30, 1949. He attended Black Mountain School from 1933 to 1942 and was a member of the class of 1944. He enlisted in the United States Army and was commissioned Second Lieutenant after attending the Fort Benning Officers Training School. He served in Germany for two years and then was discharged in May, 1948 with the rank of First Lieutenant. He entered the University of Tennessee in September, 1948.

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Class could not be
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be with in your
life career, and best
wishes

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Best wishes to you
in everything you
undertake to do.

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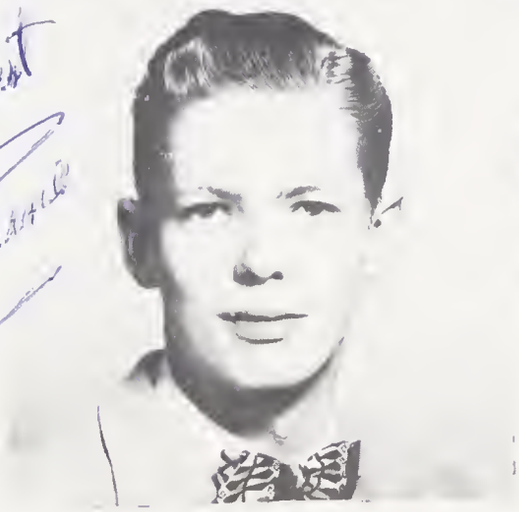
I hope it will make it
Barbara Dinwiddie

Margaret Dotson

Kenneth Fortune

The Best to the Best



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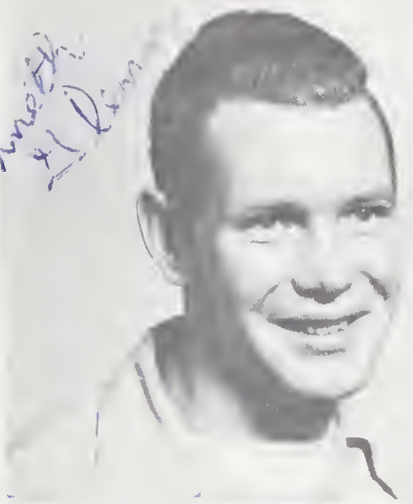

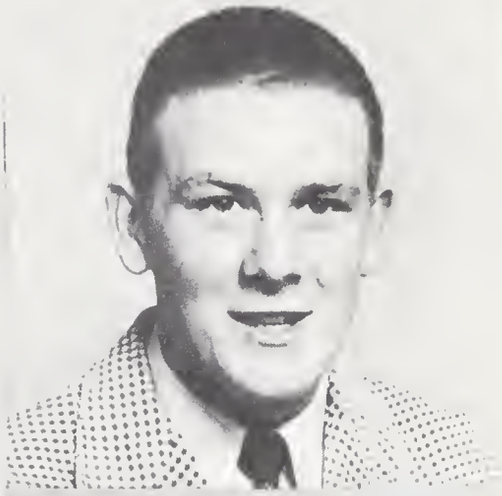

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Good Luck To You Always,
May your nedt two years
in high school be enjoyable.
Pauline Sparks

Harriette Roberts

Arlene Runion

Doris J. Sarti

Dorothy Slagle

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Tommy Spence

Lorraine Stafford

Addie E. Stephenson

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Marion Taylor

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DIAPERS TO DIPLOMAS

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JUDY

DOT

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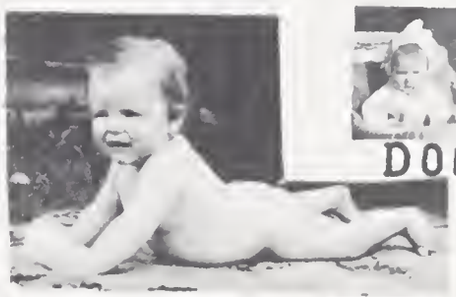

WILLIE

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DORIS

SENIOR SUPERLATIVES

BEST ALL-ROUND
Joan Drake
Edwin Smith

MOST ATHLETIC
Dana Gilliam
Clingman Capps

MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED
Geneva Davis
Tommy Spence

MOST POPULAR
Barbara Dinwiddie
Jimmy Milbee

BEST LOOKING
Dorothy Slagle
Harold Stepp

CLASS HISTORY

On a bright, sunny day in early September, 1938, one hundred nineteen frightened first graders gathered in their classrooms at Black Mountain Elementary School. Among the forty-eight Seniors who are standing on the threshold of adulthood, twenty-five of us were members of that little first grade class. We have watched the growth of the school, and we have grown with it.

Together we discovered the alphabet which opened new worlds of adventure and knowledge through reading and writing. The numerals became our tools for solving arithmetic problems and later, we found the multiplication tables.

Through the years of childhood, we studied diligently and learned geography and history; literature and grammar. We explored the mysteries of science; became familiar with home economics and agriculture; and became acquainted with mathematics and English, the foundation of our present civilization.

The principal, teachers, and sponsors have aided us in guiding our various activities. As Freshmen, Miss Doris Whitesides and Mr. C. J. Rich were the class counselors. Mrs. Fredrick Witton and Mr. Richard Seawright guided us during the Sophomore year. Our faculty advisors, Mrs. A. M. McCoy and Mr. Eugene Byrd, assisted us with our first big event-the Junior-Senior Banquet. Mrs. Paul R. Trueblood was our Senior sponsor.

Our class treasures-the diamond of character, the rubies of tolerance and the pearls of honesty we have been acquired within the schoolroom. These are our greatest and most precious jewels. They will endure as long as they are safeguarded and protected; honored and cherished.

Each shall go his separate way, but he will possess fond memories of days at Black Mountain High School. Let us hope that our twelve years have not been spent in vain; that we shall continue to seek the treasures of life.

Joan Drake
Class Historian

As you slide down
the banister of life,
may you never en-
counter a splinter
in your career!
always a friend
Sue Reed

Juniors

Paul Garrison
President

Harold Brown
Vice-President

Betty Allison
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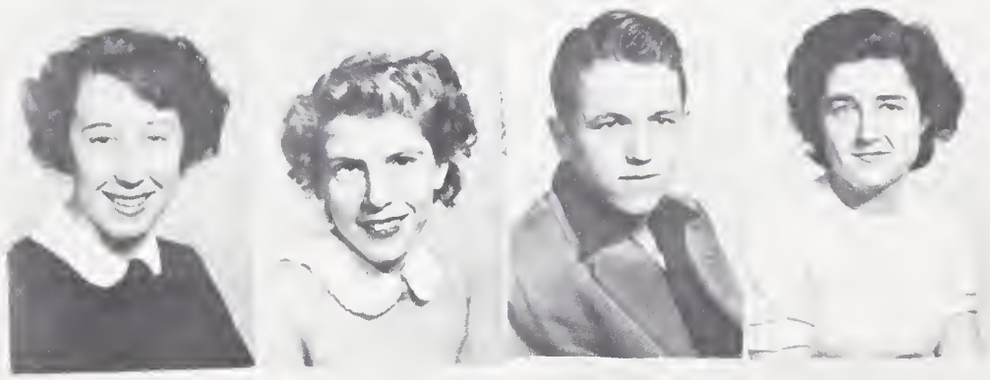

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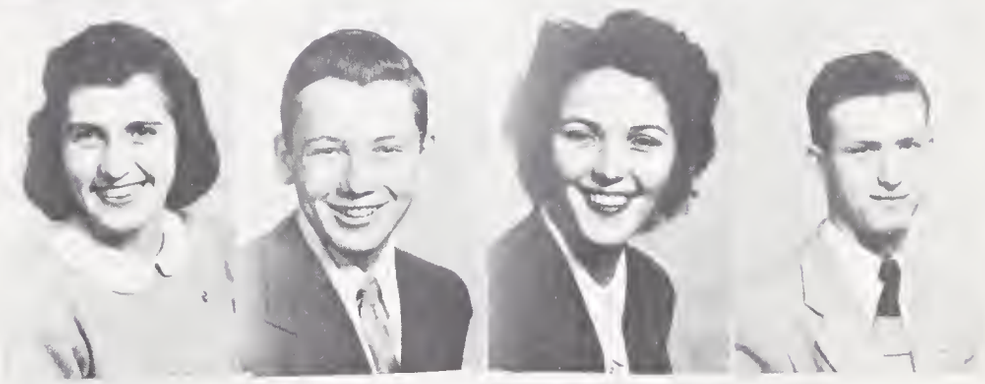
Helen Candler

Leo Elkins

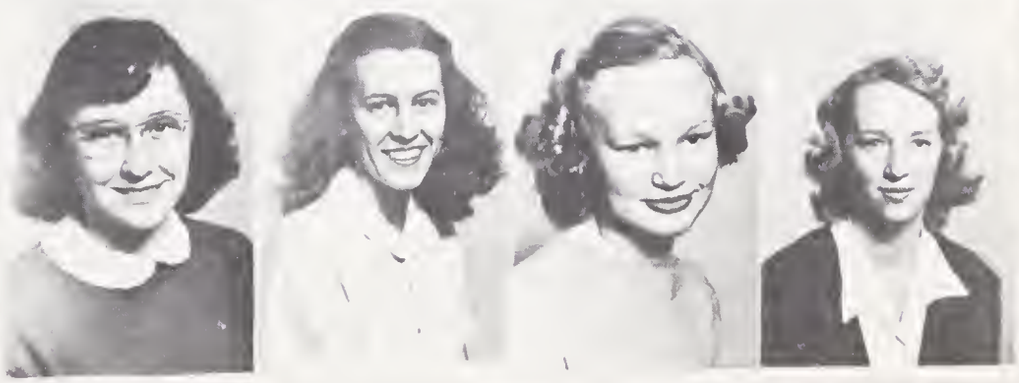


Vera English

Mildred Gardner

Hattie L. Garrison

Martha Garrison



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Bernice Gosnell

Reba Gouge

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Jeanette Harrison

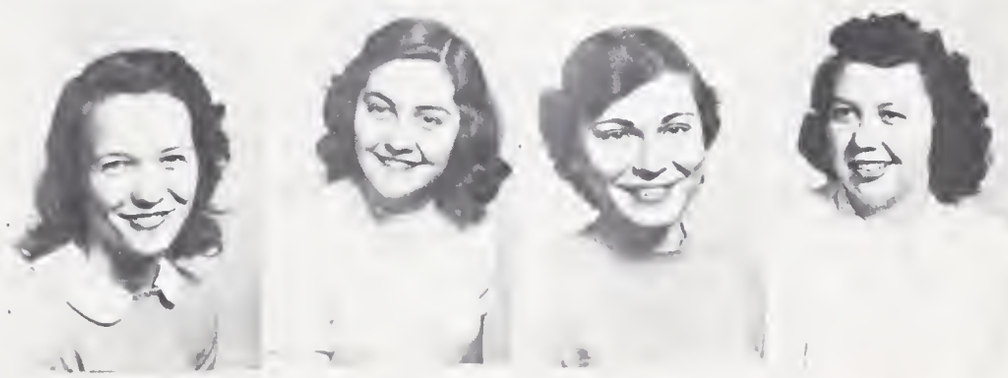
Roy Hendron

Mary Hensley

Pearl High

Vera Hodges

Jean Holt



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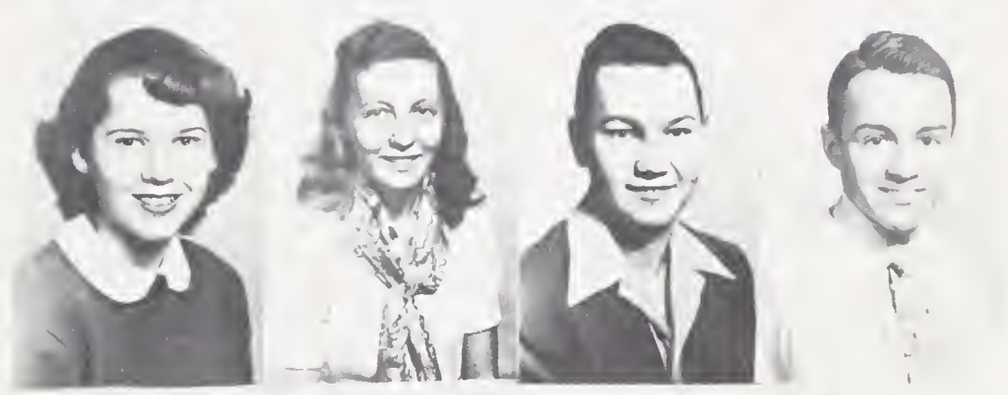
Margaret Hollifield

Jack Hudson

Fred Hunt



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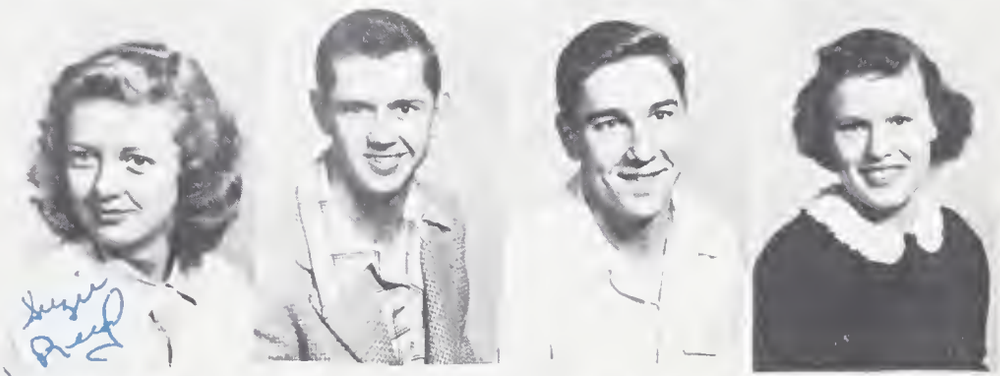

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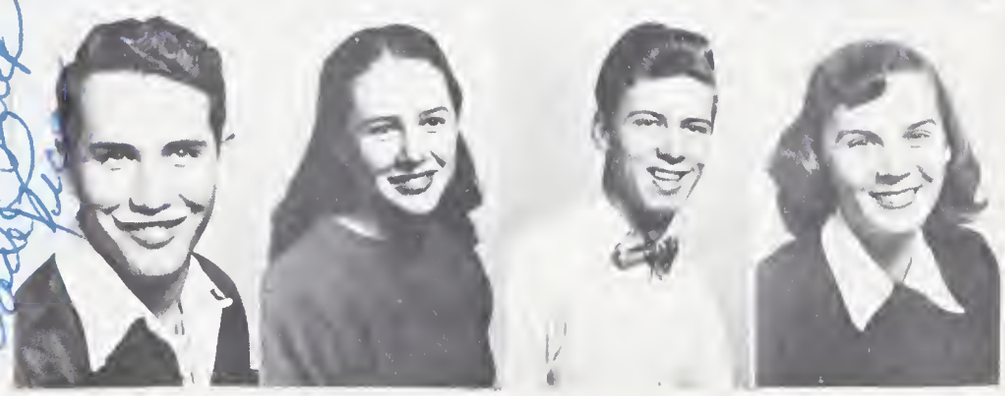

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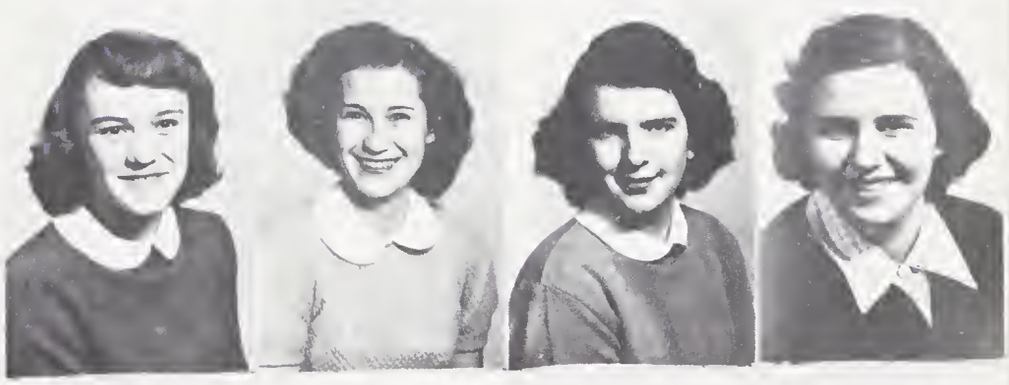
Iva Tweed

Barbara Wade

Ruth Watkins



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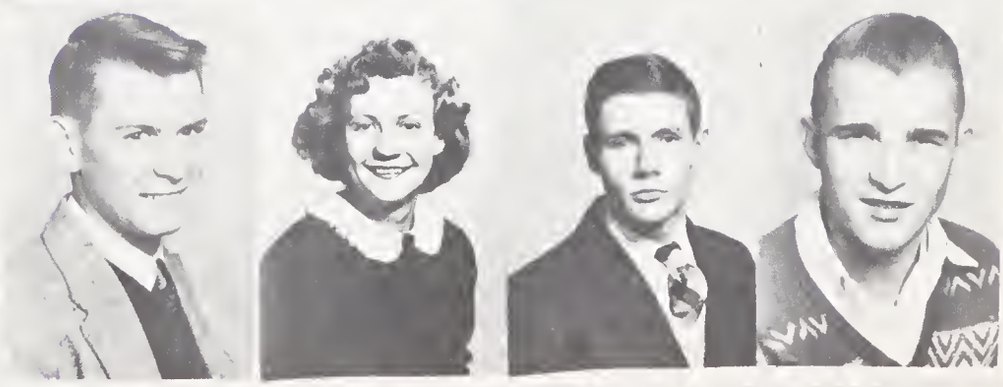
Freida White

Robert White

Delmar Williams



Sophomores

Lots of luck
and best wishes
remember we 2 new
grandmothers in retirement
we've got to get together more
our parties.

Love
Barbara

Best of luck
Jo Ann Norton

Best of Luck
to a good friend
and lots of success
in your New Career
Mary Lou Brisson

Hope you succeed
in everything you
undertake
Barbara Justus

Harold McIntosh
President

Elaine Allison

Barbara Allred

Mary A. Anderson

Harold Bailey

Gary Biddix

Stanley Burgin

Ann Burnette

Stuart Byron

Eddie Calloway

Margaret Cavin

Doris Cody

Billy Cooper

Phyllis Cordell

Charles Davis

Bobby Dickens

Connie Dougherty

Jewel English

Joe Foster

Wayne Fox

Evelyn Franks

Rita Gasperson

Peggy Gibbs

Margaret Harrison

Best of luck always
Willard Metter

You remember Grant,
and you remember Lee,
to hell with them and remember me.

Mickey

Good luck
Jeanette Nichols

Glen Hentschel

Doris Higgenbotham

Mac Hill

Stella Hill

Grady Holt

Joe Holt

Joe Ingle

Robah Johnson

Jackie Joyner

Sybil Joyner

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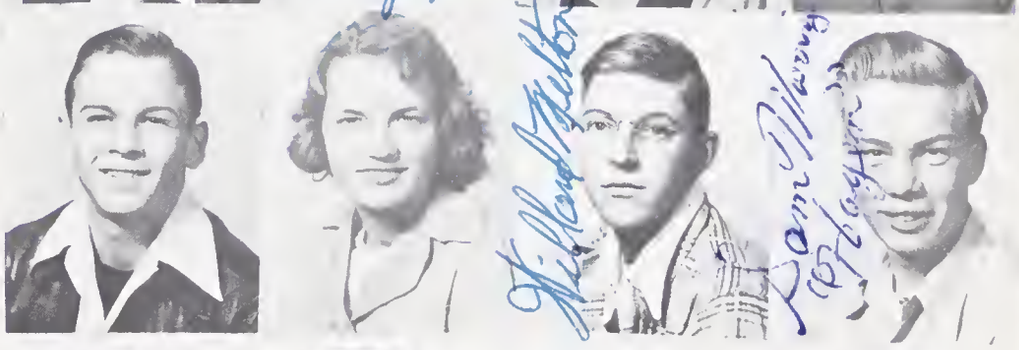
Phillip Mc Mahan

Ruby Marlow

Williard Melton

Sam Morris



Ronnie Murphy

Dean Nichols

Joretta Nichols

Eloise Norton

Jo Ann Norton

Anna Rue Osteen

Nancy Padgett

Carolyn Plemmons

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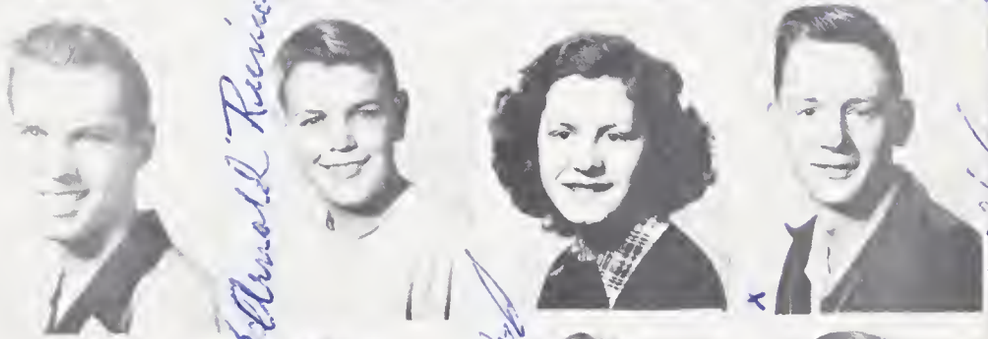
Russell Rowland

Arnold Runion

Lucy Runion

Bill Simmons



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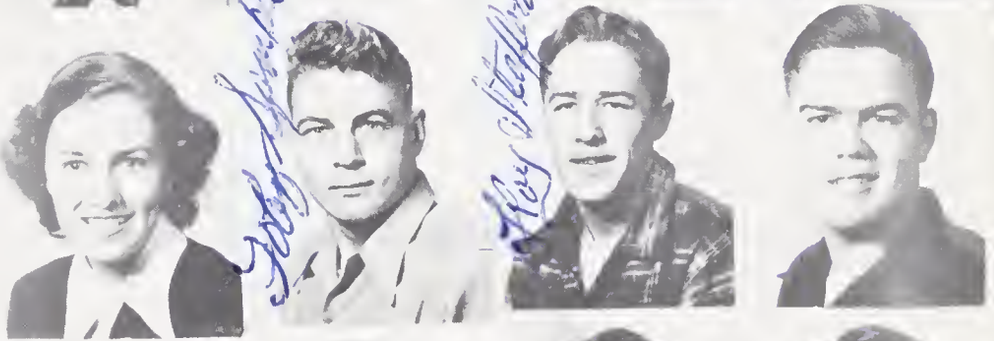
Junior Sparks

Roy Stafford

Benny Turbyfill



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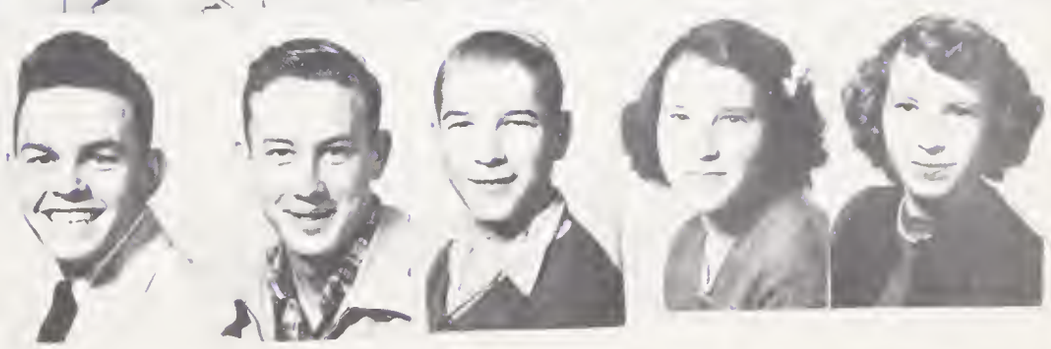
Maude Williams



freshmen

Evelyn Cooper
President

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Jack Atkins

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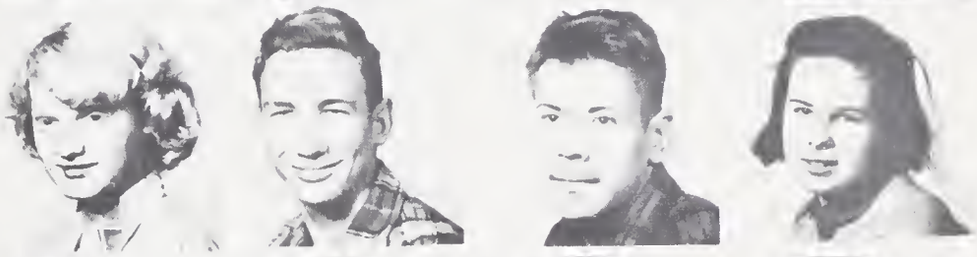
Martha Black
Rose Candler
Andy Cook

Betty. Cordell
Donald Cordell
David Corkran
Katie Dalton



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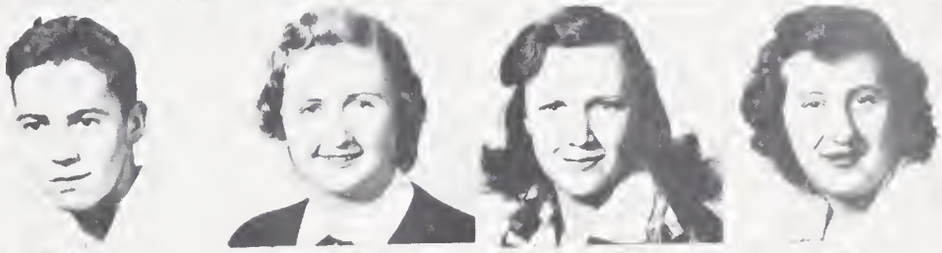
Nancy Dougherty
Naomi Elliott
Betty J. Freeman



Donald Fortune
Luny Gilliam
Opal Gilliam
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Emilye Hawkins

Geraldine High
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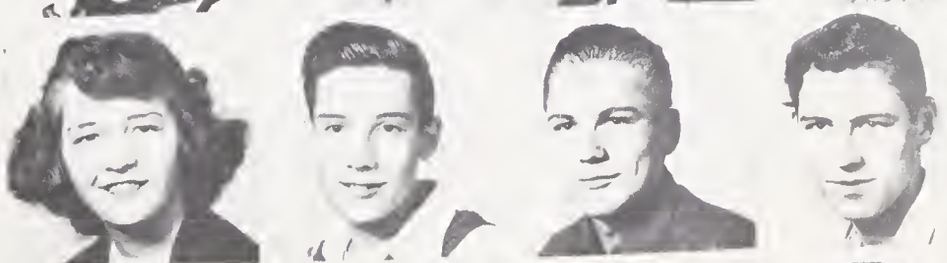
Arnold Jones
Eugene Jones



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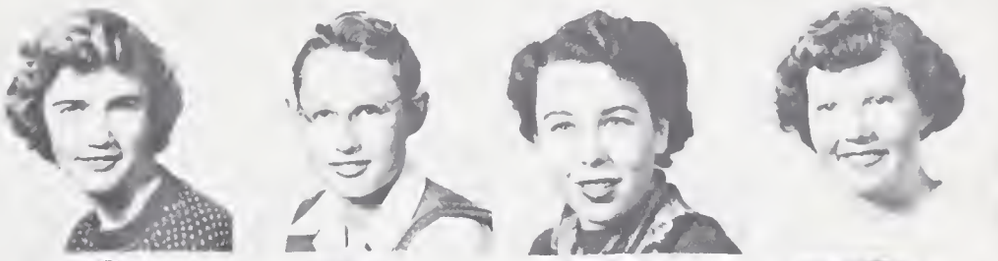
Ruth Jordan
Andy Jumper
Steve Kaplan

Betty Ann Kelley
Jack Kirstein
Sara Martin
Irene Mathis



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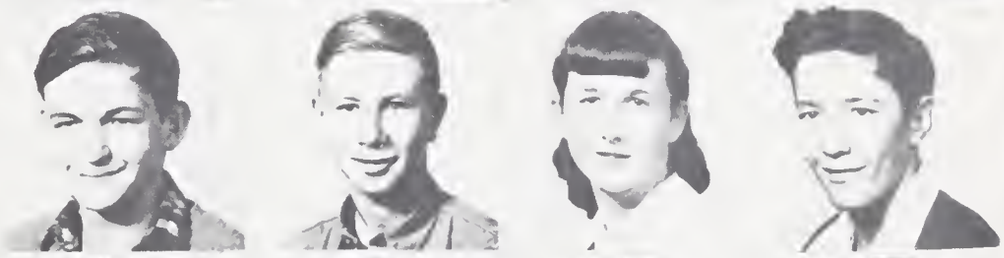
Stuart Nanney
Yvonne Nanney
Braska Odom



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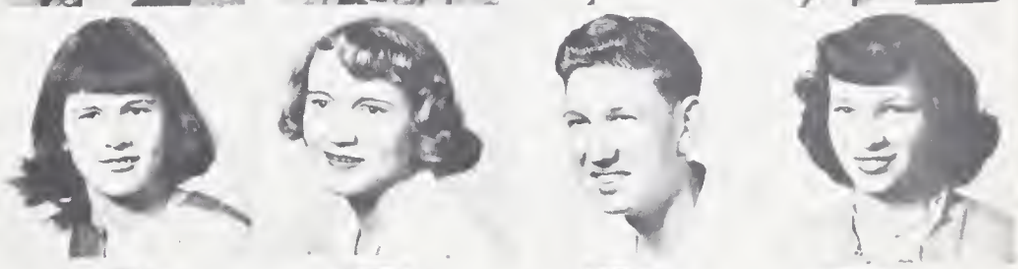
Jimmy Penland
Clara Propst



Winston Riddle
Lois Robinson
Ann Sawyer
Clifford Smathers

Edna Smith
Eva Smith
Monie Sneed
Maria Spence

Shirley Stone
Charles Swayngim
Joy Swayngim
Peggy Williams

Marie Whitaker
Madge Wilhide
Laura Williams
Mary Jo York

EIGHTH GRADE

Mrs. Carland's Home Room

First Row--------- Betty Lytle, Betty Hutchins, Doris McMahan, Anita Bowling, Lillie Davis, Nancy Jo Harwood, Sally Miller, Virginia Reid, Carolyn Prescott.

Second Row--------Charles Belcher, Don Brown, Charles Hensley, Eugene Knoefel, Arlene Swann, Mary Lee Wilson, Nancy Burnette, Shirley Gahagan, Peggy Packett.

Third Row---------Mrs. Carland, Ralph Parsons, Terry Guthrie, John Buckner, Correne Nelson, Betty McFee, Mary Ellen Dellenger, Jo Lena Allen, Hazel Bartlett.

Fourth Row--------John Corkran, Paul Wright, Wayne Ledbetter, Don McDougle, Stanley Davis, Mary Ruth Roland, Carrie Jo Wilson, Lois Nix, Sara Harris, Eleanor Justus, Billy Jo Goforth, Barbara Nesbitt.

Fifth Row----------William Price, Betty Turner, Margaret Denny, Barbara Ledbetter.

Not Present For Picture---Bobby Allison, Jack Farr.

EIGHTH GRADE

Mrs. Cunningham's Eighth Grade

First Row-------Mrs. Cunningham, La Vonne Wilson, Shirley Vess, Shirley Brigman, Dale Wrenn, Ruby Jean Whitaker, Faye Williams.

Second Row------Minnie Guffey, Genevieve Rollins, Ellen Bartlett, Elizabeth Fields, Virginia Bartlett, Joyce Reese.

Third Row------ Dallas Calloway, Thomas Solesby, Clarence Tolley, Jimmy Clevenger, Dewey Thompson.

Fourth Row------Jimmy Raines, Calvin Runion, Bobby Whitaker, Jim Reid, Wetzell Nanney.

Fifth Row------- Dean Summey, Charles Norton, Theodore Nelon, Wayne Osteen.

EIGHTH GRADE

Miss Gilbert's Home Room

First Row-------Virginia Dotson, Beatrice Slagle, Cleta Carter, Betty Pressley, Betty Stephenson, Julia Capps, Jean Rogers, Dorothea Riddle.

Second Row-----Joann Lunsford, Alma Ballew, Viola Melton, Betty Harris, Willene Ramsey, La Verne Jones, Ruby Mattox.

Third Row------Miss Gilbert, Hazel Reese, Evelyn Morris, Texie Mundy, Hazel Wheelon, Betty Jo Stroud, Helen Taylor.

Fourth Row------Billy Henderson, Fleming Haney, David Parris, Sidney Macaulay, Howard Casey, Fred Plemmons, Gerald Bartlett, Charles Ramsey, Jadie Aycock, Glenn Melton, J. L. Hollifield.

Fifth Row-------Paul Fields, Stanley Isley, Charles Stafford, Bill Biddix, Sandy Sarti, Gerald Burgess, E. V. Gouge, V. G. Davis, James Jones.

Not Present For Picture----Lois Rice, Charles Messer, William Perry.

Athletics

CHEERLEADERS

MISS GILBERT, SPONSOR

Co-Captains-----Petra Brown and Barbara Dinwiddie.

Left to Right---- Maria Spence, Barbara Dinwiddie, Barbara Wade, Willie Kerlee, Doris Higgenbotham, Norma Justus, Joyce Silvers, Petra Brown.

COUNTY CHAMPIONS

First Row -------Wade Rice, Troy Reed, Jimmy Milbee, Roger White, Clifford Smathers, Harold McIntosh, Max Morris, Burton Osteen, Clyde Reese.

Second Row------Phillip McMahan, Robert White, Paul Garrison, Clingman Capps, Donald Jackson, Harold Stepp, Joe Ingle, Wayne Fox, Edwin Smith, Donnie Woods.

Third Row ------ Arnold Jones, Joe Holt, David Corkran, Benny Turbyfill, Bobby Ritchie, Cecil Wilson, Bobby Wheelon.

US	SCORES	OPPOSITION
Biltmore---------- 7		0
Weaverville-------34		20
Oakley ---------- 0		13
Ben Lippen------- 24		6
Sand Hill --------- 13		0
Candler---------- Canceled		Canceled
Walnut ---------- 40		14
Swannanoa --------26		6

CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

Sand Hill---------- 0 Black Mountain----6

SMOKY MOUNTAIN BOWL GAME

Bryson City--------0 Black Mountain----0

FOOTBALL

1949

Roger White

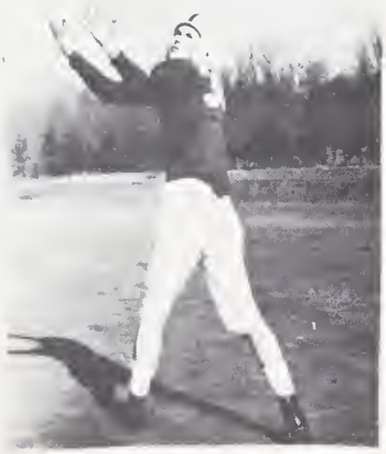
Burton Osteen

Troy Reed

Clifford Smathers

Paul Garrison

Clingman Capps



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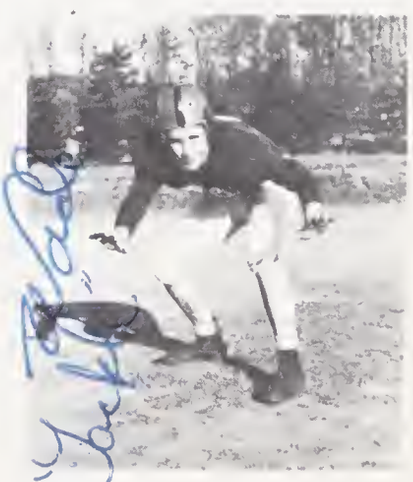

Wade Rice

GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM

Co-Captains--- Wilma Justus, Lorraine Stafford
First Row-----Dorothy Slagle, Ruth Watkins, Wilma Justus, Lorraine Stafford, Dana Gilliam, Reba Gouge.
Second Row---- Esther Cordell, Faye Whitaker, Joann Norton, Doris Cody, Elaine Allison, Eloise Norton.
Third Row----- Jewel English, Anna Rue Osteen, Wilma Slagle, Madge Wilhide, Barbara Justus, Peggy Gibbs, Phyllis Cordell.

BASKETBALL SCORES FOR 1949-50

Sand Hill	20
Oakley	41
Fairview	22
Biltmore	45
Woodfin	10
Woodfin	25
Sand Hill	30
Fairview	14
Swannanoa	20
Candler	24
Black Mountain	27
Black Mountain	33
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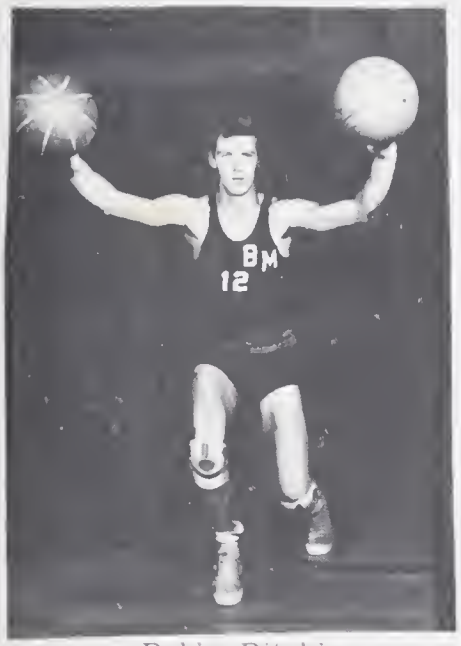

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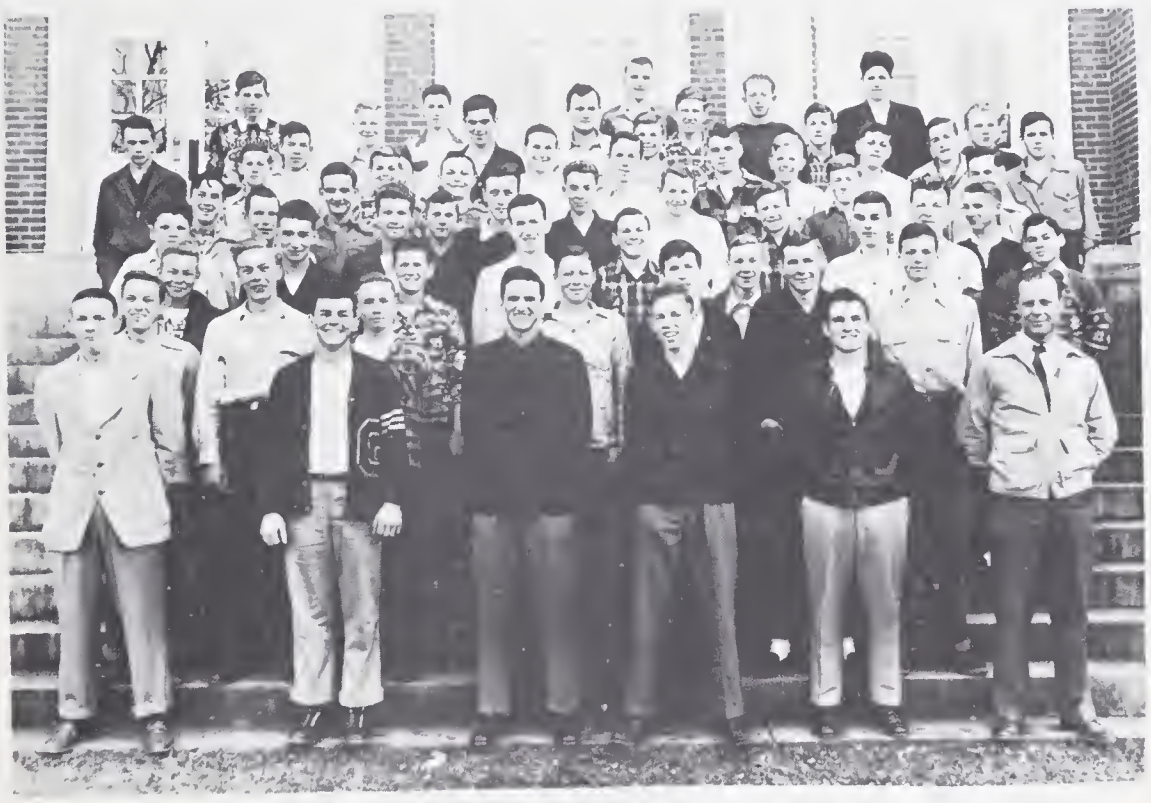

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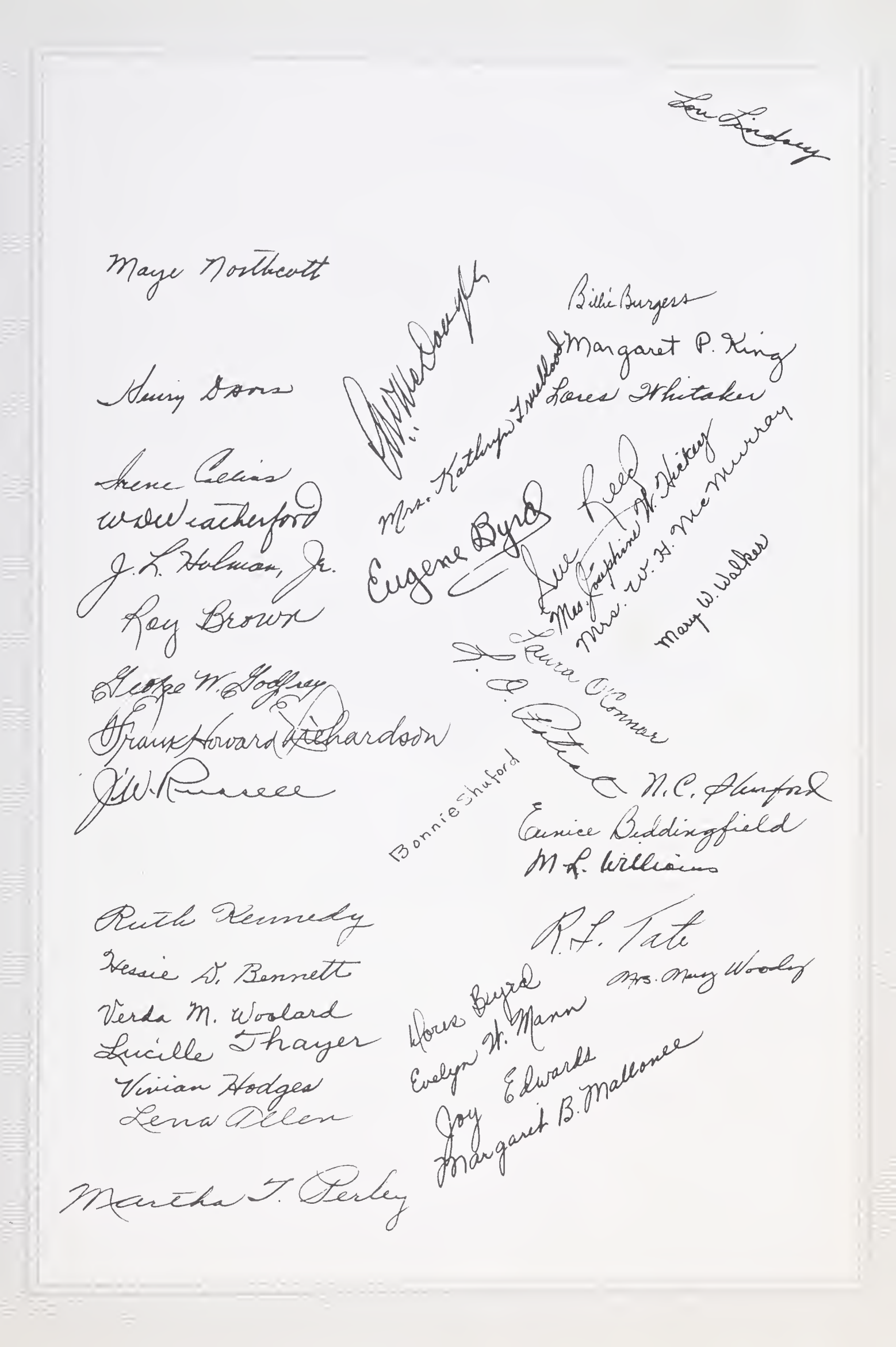

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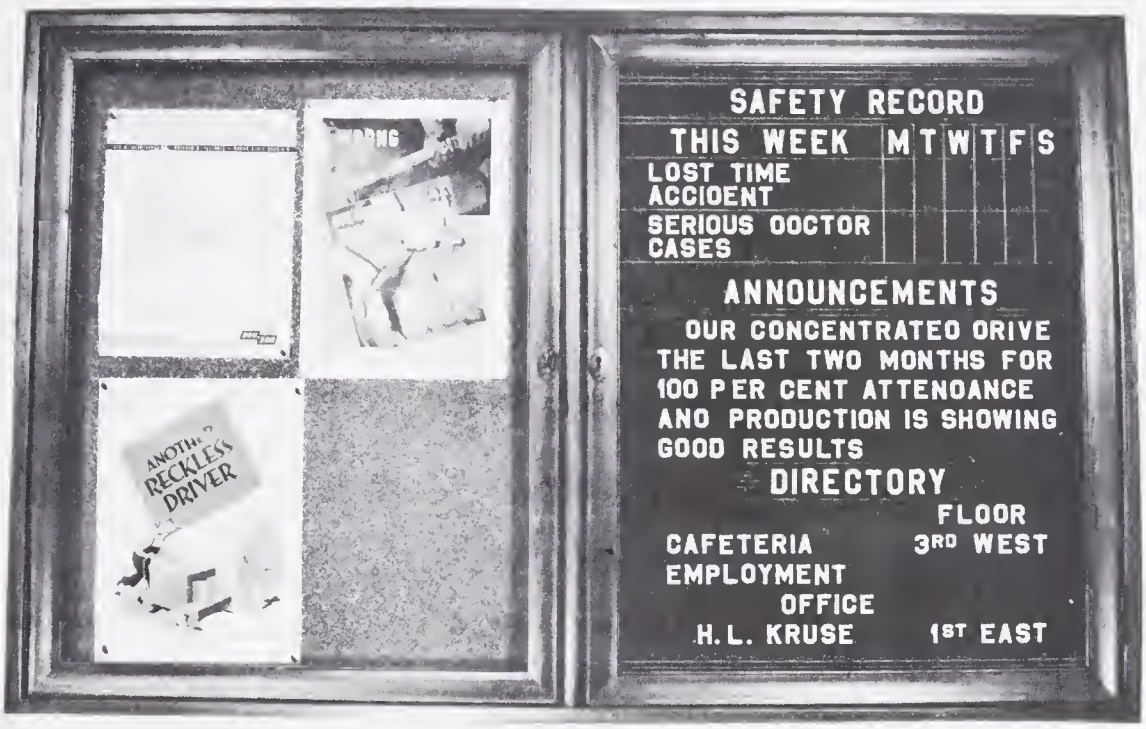
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